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[1-3] The drawing and specification were objected to for reference numeral errors. Correction is made as suggested to the specification. A drawing change based on the Examiner's suggestion will be submitted on January 17, through the mail room to avoid degradation of the image.. Withdrawal of the objection is requested.

[4-6] Claims 1-8 and 11 were rejected under §§102 and 103 over Ehlbeck '021, Morimoto '103, and Morimoto '103. This rejection is moot as these claims are canceled without prejudice to reentry.

[8] Dependent claims 9 and 10 were deemed to have allowable subject matter. These claims are re-written to be allowable.

The case is believed to be in condition for allowance, which is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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